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[1](#)1. (SBU) Drawing on points provided reftel, on February 11 Ambassador sent a letter to Foreign Minister Urmas Paet urging Estonia to act swiftly following a Kosovo declaration of independence. The letter emphasized the stabilizing effect a show of global solidarity will have on the region. It also noted the potential damage that could result from a failure to act.

[1](#)2. (C) On the same day, DCM delivered reftel points to Harri Tiido, MFA Undersecretary for Political Affairs. Tiido reiterated Estonia's commitment to support a Kosovo declaration of independence, while noting that Estonia does not want to be the "first or last" country to recognize Kosovo.

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